

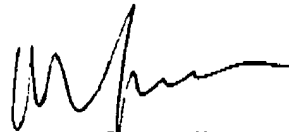
REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to include all of the limitations of Claim 2, which originally depended upon Claim 1.

Claims 2 through 8 have been cancelled, since it is believed that the balance of the claims remaining in this application after amendment adequately protects the Applicants' invention.

Reconsideration of the rejection of the Claims remaining in this Application after amendment and allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

In the latest Office Action, the Examiner indicated that although Claim 2 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, it would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Applicants' attorney respectfully submits that the amendment to Claim 1, whereby the elements of Claim 2 have been incorporated into Claim 1, satisfy the aforementioned requirement and therefore allowance is respectfully requested.



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